



SMX 3083.1
PATENT

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Youqi Wang, et al. Art Unit: 1743
Serial No.: 09/652,489
Filed: August 31, 2000
Confirmation No.: 3644
For: SAMPLING PROBE
Examiner: Elizabeth S. Quan

December 19, 2003

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION TRANSMITTAL

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. BOX 1450
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313-1450

SIR:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. REQUIRED SUBMISSION:

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s) /reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on November 12, 2003.
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement
 - iv. Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee required)
- b. Other _____

3. FEES (Required when the RCE is filed)

a. [] The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 19-1345:

- i. [] RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e)
- ii. [] Extension of time fee
- iii. [] Other _____

b. [X] Check in the amount of \$ 770.00 is enclosed, along with a Fee Transmittal

Respectfully submitted,



Michael G. Munsell, Reg. No. 43,820
SENNIGER, POWERS, LEAVITT & ROEDEL
One Metropolitan Square, 16th Floor
St. Louis, Missouri 63102
(314) 231-5400

MGM/clh

Express Mail Label No. EL 998650625 US
Mail Stop RCE